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SUBJECT: EXHIBIT: PHOTOGRAPHY - USA

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1. CHAVDAR DAMYANOV, DEPUTY CHIEF MFA CULTURAL COOPERATION DEPT, HAS ADVISED THAT "SHIPKA" GALLERY, CENTRALLY LOCATED HOME OF UNION OF BULGARIAN ARTISTS, EMBASSY'S FIRST CHOICE AS EXHIBIT SITE, IS COMPLETELY BOOKED DURING JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1976, BUT "WE'RE TRYING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT". P&C OFFICER RESPONDED EMBASSY APPRECIATES HIS EFFORTS, BUT TIME IS GROWING SHORT; THEREFORE, OUR SECOND CHOICE IS "FESTIVALNA" SITE, LARGE SPORTS-AND-EXHIBITION COMPLEX IN EAST SOFIA.

2. DAMYANOV EXPRESSED SURPRIST THAT "UNIVERSIADA" HALL, SITE OF PARTY CONGRESSES AND OTHER MAJOR EVENTS, WASN'T OUR SECOND CHOICE. IT WAS, P&C OFFICER REPLIED, BEING MORE PRESTIGIOUS AND CLOSER TO CITY CENTER, BUT BCP CONGRESS SCHEDULED NEXT SPRING APPEARED PRECLUDE ITS AVAILABILITY FOR EXHIBIT. DAMYANOV CONCURRED, WITH SOME RELIEF, AND SAID HE WOULD INVESTIGATE "FESTIVALNA" AVAILABILITY. NOT TO GIVE UP ON "SHIPKA", P&C OFFICER ASKED DAMYANOV TO CONTINUE EFFORTS TO MAKE IT AVAILABLE.

3. KRUSTAN DYANKOV, FIRST DEPUTY EDITOR OF "BULGARIAN
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PHOTO" MAGAZINE AND TRANSLATOR OF FAULKNER AND

CALDWELL WORKS, HAS AGREED TRANSLATE BROCHURE AND
EXHIBIT MATERIAL. TRANSLATIONS WILL BE READY WHEN P&C
OFFICER RETURNS FROM U.S. VACATION JULY 22. ADVISE
IF NEEDED SOONER.

4. ASSUMING EXHIBIT TAKES PLACE, DYANKOV WISHES
DEVOTE ISSUE OF HIS MAGAZINE TO IT. WHAT SLIDES,
NEGATIVES AND/OR COLOR SEPARATE PLATES ARE AVAILABLE
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